



The Newsletter of the High Country, Tolland Massachusetts

The Tolland Tattler

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Tolland Fire Department

The meetings/drills are for the following Tuesday nights, August 7th, August 14th and August 21st. Anyone who wishes to stop by during this time, please feel free to do so. New members are always welcome.

Order forms for the reflective house number signs can be picked up at the Town Hall. An order form is printed in the Tattler also. These signs have proven to be very helpful when responding to calls by the Police Department and responding Fire Departments. A fire department member will deliver your sign to your Tolland residence.

In July, we performed a mock car accident drill. One of our members was a car accident victim. Sandisfield ambulance driver/EMT, Rico, participated with us in this drill. We are planning a water rescue drill using our rescue boat for our next drill.

We are still deciding on a definite date for the Spaghetti Dinner. It will be scheduled closer to the end of September. As previously mentioned the dinner will be held on the Town Green. Signs will be posted and the final information will be printed in September's issue.

The following are the responses from June 21st through July 20th:

June responses:
1 - medical call

July responses:
6 - medical calls

Chief, Robert Littlefield, Sr.



Tolland Ladies Luncheon at the Tunxis Club

Sunday, August 26 - - 11:00 a.m.
Please be our guests for lunch
at the Tunxis Club.

Chef Todd, would appreciate your
reservations by
Thursday, August 23, 2007

258-4875.



Granville Cultural Council

Blues on the Green
August 18th at 7pm.

Bring best buddies, blankets, beverages and
baskets of food!

Be there for Dan Stevens!

“Respectfully traditional yet spirited. He’s
one of those guys who can be said to be
keeping music alive” - New Haven Advocate,
New Haven, CT.

Wanted:

Free riding, push lawn mowers, roto-tillers
or small engines to learn how to do repairs.

When calling ask for Jeff at (860) 605-5326.



Tolland Town Directory

Town Hall - main number : 258-4794
Hours: Mon & Tues. 8:30am to 4pm
Wed. from 8:30am to 12pm

- Emergency - Police/Fire/Ambulance
Dial 911
- Non-Emergency -
Fire/Ambulance/Police 258-4515
- ASSESSOR CLERK - 258-4889
Hours: Mondays 10am - 4:00pm
- BOARD OF ASSESSORS - 258-4889
Hours: Mondays 10am - 4pm
Meeting: 1:00pm - 4th Tuesday of month
- BUILDING INSPECTOR
by appointment only - 258-4590
- DUMP HOURS - SUMMER HOURS
Sundays - 3:00 - 7:00pm
Wednesdays - 5:00 - 7:00pm
Saturdays - 9:00am - 11:00am
- FIRE DEPARTMENT - 258-2859
Meeting & Drill - 7:00 - 10:00
August 7, 14 and 21
- HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT - 258-4531
- HISTORICAL SOCIETY
6:00pm - 3rd Thursday of month
- PLANNING BOARD - 7:00pm
3rd Monday of each month
- TOLLAND LIBRARY
Hours: Monday - 3:00pm - 8:30pm
Thursday - 11:00am - 4:00pm
Saturday - 10:00am - 12:00am
- TOWN CLERK - 258-4068
Hours: Mondays 2:00 - 4:00pm and
by appointment
- * SELECTMEN
Every other Monday at 5:00 unless other
wise noted -August 13 and 27
- TAX COLLECTOR 258-4794

Tolland Volunteer Fire Department
REFLECTIVE ADDRESS MARKER
ORDER FORM

Please complete the following information:

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
CITY, ST. , ZIP _____
PHONE NUMBER _____

Address Number Requested

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Note: if your address has fewer than 5 digits, please X those boxes not used.

MOUNTING PREFERENCE

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HORIZONTAL

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ONLY
\$15.



FOR INFORMATION, call 258-2859

Checks payable to: Tolland Volunteer Fire Department
162A Colebrook River Road
Tolland, MA 01034

Tolland Council On Aging

Drop-in Yoga Classes Continue on Thursdays in Tolland

The Tolland Council on Aging Summer Gentle Yoga Classes are continuing on Thursdays but the time has been changed to one half hour earlier at 9:30 a.m. at the Tolland Town Hall, 241 W. Granville Rd., Tolland. The classes will continue throughout the summer and into September. The classes are open to seniors and other adults from Tolland, Granville, and other area towns. New persons are welcome to the classes at any time during the season. A small donation is requested for each class.

The classes, as taught by Sally Barber of the Westfield Yoga Center, accommodate persons of all levels and also persons with disabilities: it is not necessary to get down on the floor on a mat to participate in this class. However, bring a mat, if you plan to use it, and a blanket, and a small pillow will also be helpful. Yoga is a great way to stretch and strengthen muscles, improve balance and fitness, and increase overall well being. We hope to see you there this summer! Call Elethea Goodkin, Regional COA Coordinator, at 413-562-1095 for more information.

Tolland Public Library

Busy times continue at the Library for August. The Library is full of new books and movies. And always remember; if we don't have it we can try to get it.

Ice cream at the library everyday for 50 cents a bar. If you are 13 or younger and checking out a book, you can have it for 25 cents.
Saturday coffee and pastry from 10-12. Come in and enjoy a bit of coffee and something sweet while you check your email.

Both of the events above are to raise money for a donation to the Western Massachusetts Regional Library System. WMRLS brings to us weekly delivery for inter-library loan and high-speed satellite wireless connectivity for our computers and yours all free to the patrons of the Tolland Public Library. It would be nice to make a gesture back to the very hardworking people of WMRLS. Their budgets are as tight if not tighter than ours and every bit helps.

Events this month:

- Until September 4th: The art of Hillary Carl will be on display.
- August 16th: Henry the Juggler. 1:00 at the Library. In event of rain, we will be at the Town Hall.

Don't forget that passes to the Norman Rockwell Museum and Hancock Shaker Village are available to all patrons.



Tolland Library

Henry the Juggler to Appear on
Thursday, August 16, 2007

Henry the Juggler is believed to be in your area! The Tolland Library will present his hilarious show on Thursday, August 16. Show time is 1:00 PM.

Henry the Juggler is considered armed (and legged) and dangerous. He is known to cause spontaneous outbursts of laughter. He speaks little, but says a great deal through his expression and body language. He has in his possession BALLS, CLUBS, RINGS, TORCHES and other apparatus of his trade. He is capable of walking on a thin wire high above the ground.

Warning: Henry involves innocent bystanders in his act. Henry the Juggler is a professional. He has been seen by tens of thousands up and down the East Coast - at theaters, schools, festivals and town events. He has been performing for over twenty years. He studied physical comedy at California's Dell'Arte School. He is an active member of the International Jugglers' Association.

The Tolland Cultural Council and the Tolland Library are believed to be in cahoots with Henry. They have sponsored his appearance. For more information, please call Jessica Kelmelis at 413-258-4201.

Don't miss Henry the Juggler!

2007 GRANVILLE HARVEST FAIR COLUMBUS DAY WEEKEND

Applications are now available for artists and craftsmen to apply for booth space at the 26th Annual Harvest Fair, Columbus Day Weekend, October 6, 7 and 8, 2007.

The following Granville organizations may be contacted for Vendor applications by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your request to:

Federated Church – Jenny Maceyka, 173 South Lane, Granville
Old Meeting House – Coralie Stevenson, P.O. Box 193, Granville
Town Green – Linda Blakesley, 397 Main Road, Granville
Town Library – Nancy Petersen, P.O. Box 222, Granville
Village School – Susan Richardson, 462 Main Rd, Granville

Sandisfield Fire Department

Open House
Saturday September 1, 2007
Station 2 on Route #57
12 noon to 4 pm

Smokey Bear will be helping us celebrate out 60th Anniversary, so be sure to bring your camera. We will also have out our Fire Trucks, Equipment & the Smoke Simulator Trailer.

Free Hot Dogs and Hamburgers
Soda Coffee & Tea

Sandisfield Fire Department

60th Anniversary
Steak Roast
Saturday August 11, 2007
at Station 2 on Route #57
Dinner from 5 to 7 pm and DJ from 6pm to 10pm

Menu: Tossed Salad, Roll & Butter, Steak, Baked Potatoe and Corn on the Cob. Coffee, Tea, & Iced Tea - Watermelon & Cake.

Price: \$20.00 tickets available from
A&M Auto, 7 Tolland Road, Sandisfield
Also Available: Hot dogs - \$1.
Hamburgers - \$2.
Nachos & Cheese - \$2.

Granville-tolland Citizens' Scholarship Foundation

A Chapter of Dollars for Scholars

P.O. Box 214, Granville, MA 01034-0214

www.tolland-ma.gov

Smart Money—the Dollars for Scholars Financial Aid Tip of the Month

Brought to you by New England Dollars for Scholars and Nellie Mae

Taming those “other” college costs

When new crops of freshmen arrive at college, few fully anticipate the many costs beyond tuition, room and board. Before you hit campus, sit down and list your expected daily living expenses for the school year: cell phone, Internet service provider, socializing, laundry detergent, and other “incidental expenses.” If the results make you gulp, what are your options? While education loans and part-time jobs will certainly help pay your college costs, taking control of your daily money outflow will help you graduate in the best financial shape.

One classic strategy is to spend less. Buy what you need, rather than indulge in impulse or emotional buying. Track your daily spending for a month, and develop a realistic budget for the semester. Don't let friends or social situations pressure you into spending more. Here are examples of the many spending challenges that you'll be facing:

Food You are going to eat out, so budget for it. If you have a meal plan, use what you paid for! Make getting up for breakfast a habit. Snag some single-serving cereal boxes, cookies, salad bar veggies, or fruit from your dining hall for late-night snacks, and avoid costly vending machines. Pay attention to sales, and remember that grocery stores are cheaper than convenience stores.

Textbooks Consider borrowing books, or buying and selling used books on campus or online to lower your costs.

Personal expenses Toiletries, clothes, entertainment, and haircuts quickly add up. You can make some lifestyle adjustments to live within your budget, but about \$850 per semester is a fair estimate for “miscellaneous” spending. Shop around for the best cell phone deal that suits your needs.

Electronics Replacing a lost or stolen laptop, MP3 player, cell phone, or camera is expensive—and upsetting. Watch your backpack, wallet, and keys. Keep your valuables out of sight and lock your room door at all times—even for bathroom runs. Protect all forms of personal identification, including your Social Security number and mail. Local police and campus security often make etching devices available, so if you can engrave your name on your electronics and other valuables, do it.

Printing, computer, and copying costs Bulk purchase printer paper, ink cartridges, and other supplies from a discount store. Campus stores often charge a significant premium.

Travel You'll be traveling home during the school year. Car pool or look for student fares when you purchase bus, train, or airline tickets.

Expensive habits Examine your favorite indulgences from a cost perspective. Whether buying music, shoes, lattes, or clothes, failing to practice moderation is a surefire budget buster. Watch it.

Credit card come-ons Each fall, students sign up for multiple credit cards to get a free t-shirt or some trendy gizmo. How “free” are those items if you wrack up credit card debt? A debit card combines a credit card's convenience without the temptation to spend what you don't have. Or settle for a single, fixed-rate credit card with a low limit for genuine emergencies, then pay it off in full each month to build a positive credit history.

Headquartered in Braintree MA, Nellie Mae, Massachusetts' #1 provider of student loans, is ready with competitive rates and great benefits when you're seeking brilliant education financing. To learn more, visit www.nelliemae.com.

Granville Parents Association Cell Phone Recycling Drive

The Granville Village School has kicked off a cell phone drive to raise funds for the Granville Parents Association funding and we are asking for your help. Unlike other fund raising projects, there are no products to buy and distribute. All we are asking is that you donate any cell phones that you have at home. Also, if you know of any businesses that provide cell phones to employees, please ask if there are unwanted cell phones they would like to donate. All we need is the cell phone and battery; chargers and other accessories have no value.

There is no cost to the school to participate in this program, so 100% of the proceeds will benefit the Granville Village School.

Our goal is to send off our first batch of phones before the start of school in September. If the initial drive goes well, we will continue to collect the phones.

Collection locations in town: library, post office, town hall, country store and Gran-Val Scoop.

The phones we send in will be resold to wholesalers and companies, as well as individuals, who buy them in bulk. If the phones we send to the company are not purchased by them they will get recycled. The recycled phones are used for 911 purposes so if a senior citizen or domestic violence victim needs a phone, the company will send to whoever requests them. Did you know that most cell phones in the United States can be used for 911 emergency calls with no programming or even a current service agreement with a carrier?

Thank you, we appreciate your support!! Any questions, please call Donna Fillion at 357-0918.

The Veterans Corner

I'd like to start off by congratulating Ed Kellogg on his retirement. He has been an advocate for Veterans all over the Commonwealth, and will be missed in this office. I would also like to take this time to introduce myself as the new Director of Veterans' Services for the Western Hampden District. I am proud to be here, and consider it a blessing to be able to help all of our Veterans. I would like to thank my predecessors including Ed and Ruth Carr Bitzas for helping me and for paving the way for the people that came after them. I would also like to thank the Board of Governors' for their selection. I am glad to be with Mayor Cohen, Karl Steinhart, Kathy Martin, and Eric Munson in this capacity.

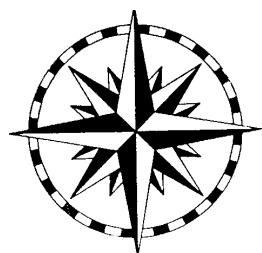
I am available Monday through Friday from 8:30 - 4:30. If you require some privacy, I suggest you call and make an appointment, and I will make sure that we are not disturbed. I will be setting up some speaking engagements in the next few months. Stay tuned to this article for more information.

If anyone would like to sign up for our 1st Annual Golf Tournament, please call the office at 786-0400 ext 237. We are trying to raise money for our Troops and their families. The event is Friday Aug 3, at 10:00 at Oak Ridge Golf Club.

I look forward to serving our Veterans and their families.

Richard J. Girard Jr., Director of Veterans' Services Western Hampden District

Tolland Weather



	MAX.	DATE	TIME	MIN.	DATE	TIME
TEMPERATURE	96	July 10	2pm	46	July 23	5am
HUMIDITY	100% several times			22%	June 18	2pm
DEWPOINT	77	July 10	5pm	33	June 23	2pm
BAROMETRIC PRESS.	30.29	June 26	8am	29.66	June 20	3pm
WIND SPEED/DIR.	28 NW	June 23	11am			
WIND CHILL						
TOTAL RAINFALL	4.22 in.					



For the period: June 16 to July 20, 2007

Elevation: 1500 feet above sea level

High Country weather prepared by Steve Strinie



Tolland
Congregational
Church



Services will continue
thru August 26
at 10:30am

Tolland Congregational Church

Southwick Family Support Coalition is coming to Granville & Tolland!

The Southwick Family Support Coalition has been providing quality support services for the families of Southwick for 12 years. Starting in September, we will expand our services to include the towns of Granville and Tolland. Some of our programs are ~

Southwick Food Pantry	Food Stamp applications
Family Connections Playgroup	Fuel Assistance applications
Babysitters Club	Parents Night Out
Summer Camp Scholarships	Information & Referral
Family Events (Mystic Seaport & Aquarium, Red Door Theatre, Higgins Armory Museum, EcoTarium)	

Southwick Family Support Coalition 454 College Hwy, Southwick, MA 5693456

www.southwickcoalition.org

Food Pantry, 220 College Highway, Southwick, 569-9876

Hours: Mon 3-6pm, Tues, Wed, Thur, 10am - 1pm

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DEADLINE: Copy and calendar events must be received by the 20th of each month. Items can be mailed to the Town Hall, dropped off at the Town Hall or by E-Mail to: jeanwillow@crocker.com

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